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1. POINTS OF VIEW EXPRESSED IN REFTELS ARE NOT REALLY INCONCISTENT. AS EXPLAINED AUGUST 21 BY JENS CHRISTENSEN, PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY OF FOREIGN ECONOMICS MINISTRY, DENMARK AND THE UK FOLLOW THE MOST LIBERAL LINE WITHIN THE EC REGARDING TRADE RESTRICTIONS; I.E., DENMARK CONSISTENTLY OPPOSES RESTRICTIONS SUCH AS THE BAN ON BEEF IMPORTS THAT HAS ADVERSELY AFFECTED YUGOSLAV-ITALIAN TRADE. YUGOSLAVS AND OTHERS ARE APPRECIATIVE OF THIS ROLE THAT DENMARK PLAYS.

2. ON THE OTHER HAND, DENMARK IS NOT NOW LEADING
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ANY SPECIAL CAMPAIGN IN THE EC ON YUGOSLAVIA'S

BEHALF WITH RESPECT TO BEEF IMPORTS OR ANY OTHER CONCESSIONS. CHRISTENSEN INDICATED THAT DENMARK HAD TO MOVE CAUTIOUSLY ON SUCH MATTERS IN ORDER NOT TO PROVOKE EVEN MORE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PART OF PROTECTIONIST COUNTRIES LIKE FRANCE.

3. CHRISTENSEN SUGGESTED THAT INCREASED DIPLOMATIC EFFICIENCY COULD GREATLY AID YUGOSLAV OBJECTIVES. ISRAELI DIPLOMATS, HE NOTED, ARE ALWAYS ON THE SCENE WHEN EC DISCUSSIONS AFFECTING THEIR INTERESTS ARE TAKING PLACE AND OFTEN INFLUENCE THEIR RESULTS. THE YUGOSLAVS, HE SAID, COULD PROFIT FROM THIS EXAMPLE.
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